



**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q63677

Naoto AKIYAMA, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/813,978

Group Art Unit: 2816

Confirmation No.: 6052

Examiner: An T. LUU

Filed: March 22, 2001

For: SEMICONDUCTOR SWITCH DRIVING CIRCUIT

**STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please review and enter the following remarks summarizing the interview conducted on

June 2, 2004:

**REMARKS**

An Examiner's Interview Summary Record (PTO-413) was provided to the Applicants' representative subsequent to the interview.

During the interview, the following was discussed:

1. Identification of claims discussed: 11 and 20
2. Identification of art discussed: Mentler (US 4,3087,577)
3. Identification of principal proposed amendments: As noted in the Amendment being filed concurrently.

Statement of Substance of Interview  
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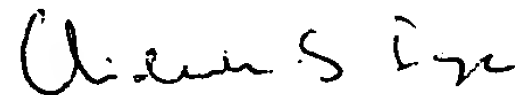
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4. Brief Identification of principal arguments: Mentler does not suggest selecting one operation from a first operation mode and a second operation mode as required by the independent claims.

It is respectfully submitted that the instant STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.2 and 1.133 and MPEP §713.04.

**It is believed that no petition or fee is required.** However, if the USPTO deems otherwise, Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

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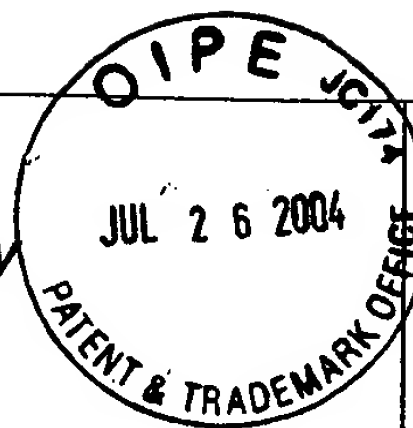
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# Interview Summary



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Applicant(s)

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Art Unit

2816

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) An T. Luu.

(3) \_\_\_\_\_

(2) Chid Ayer.

(4) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Interview: 02 June 2004.

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference

c) ☒ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☒ Yes e) ☐ No.

If Yes, brief description: Applicant's representative points out the differences between the inventive matter of the prior art and that of the instant application.

Claim(s) discussed: 11 and 20.

Identification of prior art discussed: the Mentler reference (U.S. Patent 4,308,577).

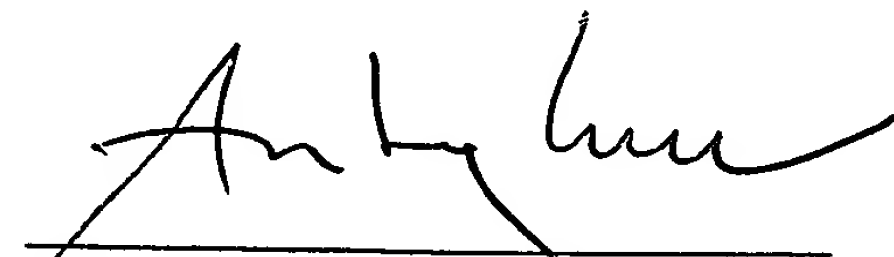
Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant discusses claim changes to further clarify differences between the invention and the cited prior art.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

  
Examiner's signature, if required